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For: PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURING)
MORPHOLINO-NUCLEOTIDES, AND)
USE THEREOF FOR THE ANALYSIS)
OF AND LABELLING OF NUCLEIC)
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

This Amendment and Reply is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed December 9, 2002. This Office Action sets a three-month period for response. A request for a three-month Extension of Time accompanies this Reply. Accordingly, this Reply is being submitted on or before its current due date of June 9, 2003.

Please cancel Claim 17 and amend Claims 1-16, 18-27 and 30-33 as follows: